



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Hickok et al. Art Unit : 3732  
Serial No. : 10/715,228 Examiner : John J. Wilson  
Filed : November 17, 2003 Conf. No. : 5020  
Title : WATERGUIDE DESIGN AND METHOD AND TUBE ASSEMBLY FOR USE  
THEREWITH

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION

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Respectfully submitted,

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